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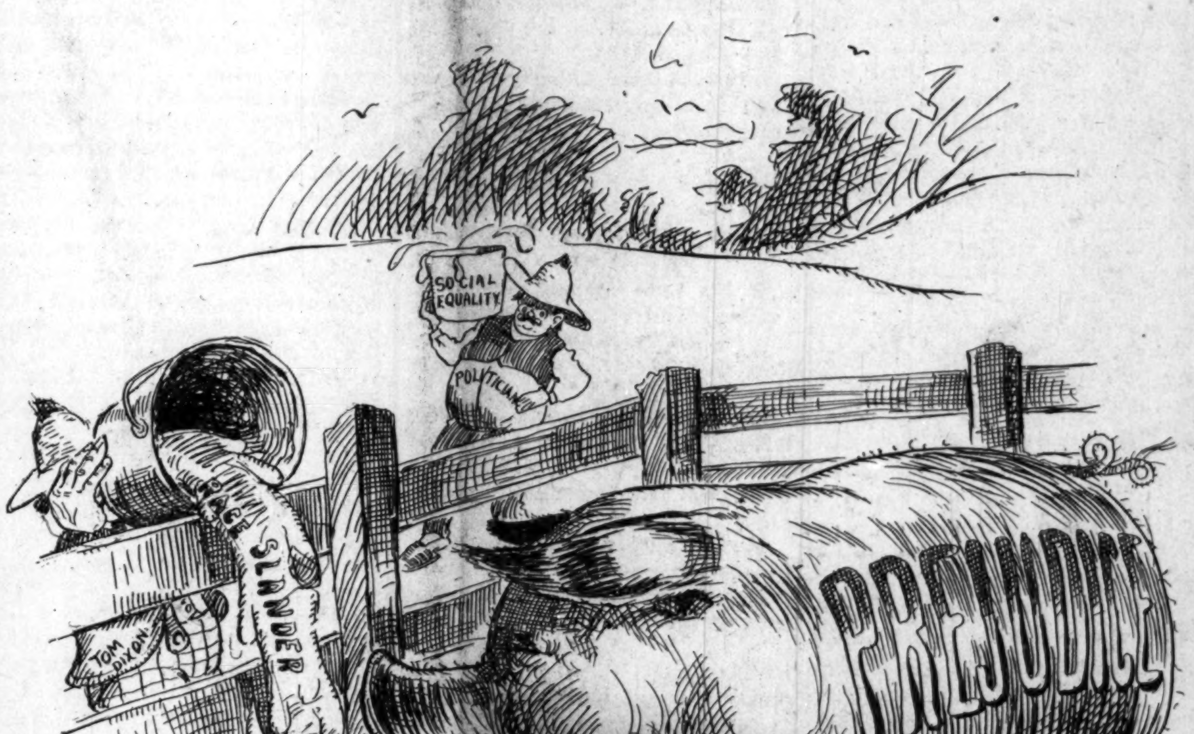

Such articles as are written by Thomas Dixon only serve to agitate more the prejudice that exists against the race.

WASHINGTON IN THE WEST

RECEIVES GREAT OVATION ON HIS TOUR

GREETED BY MANY THOUSANDS

Makes Great Speech at Fort Smith, Ark.—Welcomed to Oklahoma by Governor Ferguson—The Trip Made in Private Coach.

By Special Correspondent.

Ft. Smith, Ark., Nov. 22.—Dr. Booker T. Washington and a party consisting of twelve persons in all concluded at this place last night a tour in the interest of the general education of the Negro, which has been in more than one respect a remarkable one. In the party in addition to Dr. Washington, were his secretary, Emmett J. Scott, E. Davidson Washington, his youngest son, J. R. Cox, stenographer, and six members of the Negro Business League of Little Rock, Ark., Jno E. Bush, Judge M. W. Gibbs, C. W. Keatts, W. M. Alexander, Bryant Luster, and Chester Bush. The tour included a visit through Arkansas, where Dr. Washington spoke at Little Rock, Pine Bluff and Ft. Smith; through Oklahoma Territory, where he spoke at Oklahoma City and Guthrie; and through Indian Territory where he spoke at South McAlester and Muskogee.

Dr. Washington and his party started from St. Louis, Tuesday night, November 14th and were met there by a special committee from the Little Rock Negro Business League, composed of Mr. Jno. E. Bush—who arranged the itinerary and the details of the entire trip, Mr Keatts, and Mr. D. S. Hill, publisher of the Mosaic Guide. The party reached Little Rock the next morning and were met by a reception committee of thirty-five members. A parade was immediately formed and the whole line of carriages, some sixteen in number, passed through the principal streets to and out Main street. Hundreds of people lined the walks and vociferated welcome to Dr. Washington. His meeting in the afternoon at the Opera House was one of the most remarkable affairs of the kind ever seen in that city. A theatrical engagement was suspended to permit him to speak. He was introduced by Federal Judge Jacob Traiber in flattering phrases. Among other things he said: "I have been requested by His Honor, the mayor of this city, who is unavoidably absent from the city, to extend to you in his behalf and in behalf of the people of the city of Little Rock, a sincere welcome. In discharging this duty permit me to assure you that the people of Little Rock are not only warm hearted, but broad-minded. They honor genius wheresoever they find it, and esteem a man for his virtues and abilities, no matter who he may be. They fully realize that the race problem is a serious one, but they believe that the American people, with the assistance of a Divine Providence, are capable of solving it, as they have solved every other great issue with which they have been confronted."

A visit was made to all of the colleges and the colored High School, At each place special addresses were made, flowers and gifts presented by the different societies of the schools. A banquet capped the climax. It was given in the large hall of the Arkansas Baptist College and was attended by the best people of the city, It was immediately preceded by a special function given by the Frederick Douglass Republican Club. The decorations at the club were patriotic in design. Judge M. W. Gibbs felicitously expressed the feelings of the people while presiding at the banquet. The committee on arrangements were: Jno E. Bush, Judge Gibbs, C. W. Keatts, W. M. Alexander, Bryant Luster, Joseph E. Booker and many others.

The foregoing report of the reception at Little Rock is typical of what followed at Pine Bluff on the following day, when Dr. Washington spoke there. Similarly great crowds of white and black people appeared at the depot to greet him. He was hastily driven to the Branch Normal College, over which Mr. Isaac Fisher, a Tuskegee Institute graduate, presides as president. At this place the party was joined not only by a large number of colored people, but by the following whites, viz: Mr. W. Lankford banker, and president of the Board of Trustees of the Branch Normal School, Judge A. B. Grace, Chancellor, Jno. M. Elliot, and a half dozen other representatives of the highest type of Southern manhood in that enterprising city. After Mr. Washington had spoken to the students of Mr. Fisher's school and the assembled gathering, Judge Grace who was introduced said: "The work that Mr. Washington is doing is just as important as that of any other man in this country, I don't care of what race he comes." Judge Grace closed his court for the day during Dr. Washington's visit at Pine Bluff so as to meet him at Mr. Fisher's school and hear him in the afternoon at Wiley Jones Park.

Chancellor John M. Elliot who was introduced spoke as follows: "Mr. Washington, we need just such men as you to show to the colored people of this country and to the white ones as well, the way to work out their destiny. I believe that the colored people are in this country to stay. I believe that here in this country the great problem of the relation of the black races and the white races is to be worked out. You, Mr. Washington, have done more than any one else in this country to direct our attention to those methods through which a solution may be hoped for." When Dr. Washington reached the grounds of the Wiley Jones Park and was introduced by Chairman Ferd Havis, he was greeted by hardly less than 5,000 persons, all of whom listened attentively to all he had to say and roundly applauded his more telling points." He was introduced by Hon. H. King White, the Independent mayor of Pine Bluff, who spoke with deep effectiveness, both as regards Mr. Washington and the work he is doing for his race, and the duty of whites and blacks toward each other. He said that he was proud to grasp the hand of the biggest Negro on earth. A banquet in the splendid three-story brick Masonic Temple, owned by colored Masons of Arkansas, was the concluding feature of the visit to Pine Bluff. The local committee here was composed of Prof. Isaac Fisher, Ferdinand Havis, and Arthur B. Knight. Dr. Washington was domociled at the home of Mr. Knight during the stay.

The next place visited was Oklahoma City, where the Opera House had been engaged by the local committe, consisting of Messrs. Wm. Harrison, J. H. A. Brazelton, T. H. Traylor, J. D. Randoph. The party breakfasted at the residence of Mr. M. Grooms. The committe was so interested that they had employed a special chef to cook the breakfast and dinner. The carriages were gayly decorated and everything done to make him feel truly welcome.

He was accompanied in the street car ride through the city by Mr. J. A. Johnson, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, who had been deputized to offer on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce a welcome to the city. He was welcomed to the city in the Opera House by both secretary Johnson and the mayor. Attorney William H. Harrison, who had charge of all the arrangements, introduced Mr. Washington in an effective address.

The next place visited was Guthrie, Okla., and a special reception committee was sent from Oklahoma City to accompany him to the former place. When Mr. Washington reached the depot, as the Associated Press has advised your readers, no less than 10,000 persons met and widely cheered him, and followed his carriage for a mile to the home of Mr. C. E. White, a substantial colored business man of Guthrie. At night when he spoke in the Opera House he was welcomed by Gov. Ferguson of Oklahoma Territory and introduced by former Judge G. M. Perkins, a colored citizen of great worth. A banquet at the City Hall followed the address at the Opera House. Next morning great crowds gathered about one of the colored churches where he was to speak and followed him to the depot. The committie in charge of arrangements at Guthrie consisted of Messrs. C. S. Perkins and C. A. White.

Reaching Oklahoma City after two hours' ride, he was again met by the local committee and carried to the residence of Mr. Groom's where dinner was again provided. He spoke in one of the colored churshes here. Later the party went to South McAlester, but before his train pulled out the crowds at the depot were constantly augmented and at the invitation of a body of white and colored citizens, Dr. Washington consented to say a few words from the rear of his car. Principal Smith of the Emerson School—a white man—who introduced Dr. Washington, spoke of him as "one of the greatest of living Americans." Standing on the rear of the car, the train pulled out to the accompaniment of wild and enthusiastic cheering.

At South McAlester his carriage was followed from the depot, as the newspapers of South McAlester indicates by three or four thousand people, to the opera house, where he was welcomed and introduced by Federal Judge Clayton, U. S. District Attorney Wilkins and Attorney George Fitzpatrick. After his speech, the reception committee, composed of Messrs. W. H. Hudson, H. A. Guess, Robert Fortune and Mr. Fitzpatrick, conveyed him and his party to the beautiful residence of Mr. Edward E. McDaniel, who is, perhaps, the only Negro railroad contractor in this country—having built the major portion of the great Rock Island railroad. Mr. McDaniels and his wife had spread a supper to which many citizens of the town were invited. Next morning after breakfast, street cars were specially chartered and the Washington party carried through the mines of South McAlester.

He departed in the afternoon for Muskogee, accompanied by the following reception committee who had come to South McAlester to meet him, viz: Messrs. C. W. Sango, J. W. Walker, A. V. Jones, Ed Jefferson, J. W. Adams, Cornelius Jones and R. H. Waterford. At the depot a tremendous outpouring of people greated him. The Muskogee papers report that not less than six or eight thousand persons met Dr. Washington. He was rapidly driven through the city where many evidences of Negro progress were to be seen on every side. The Creek Indian children and the school children were lined up along the sidewalks with flags and as he passed through their lines greeted him with cheering, songs and hurrahs. The welcome was enthusiastic to the utmost degree. The demand on the part of the whites and blacks was so great that the plan to speak in the auditorium of the city had to be abandoned and a platform erected in the public square. While in Muskogee, he was entertained in the homes of Mr. G. W. Sango and Dr R. H. Waterford and was tendered a banquet by the colored lodge of Elks at the Wiley Jones Hall. (The Wiley Jones referred to here is not in any way connected or related to the former citizen of Pine Bluff, now deceased.)

Next morning after a short trip and accompanied by several citizens of Muskogee, also including Mr. McDaniels of South McAlester already referred to, he reached Ft. Smith. He was rapidly drivened through the principal streets of the city and to the home of Mr. Percy L. Dorman, a Tuskegee graduate who is in charge of the Manual Training work in the colored schools. The special committee of reception at this place was: Messrs. J. Wilson Pettus, E. O. Trent, W. E. Joshenberger, P. L. Dorman, Here was the fitting climax to the tour. Although it was the middle of the day when he reached the city, great crowds of whites and blacks were at the station, and followed his carriage through the streets. A dinner was given at the home of Mr. Joshenberger, a carriage ride in the afternoon through the city, and a banquet at night, under the direction of the ladies of Ft. Smith.

The whole tour was arranged primarily in response to numerous invitations which have come from local Negro Business Leagues in sections where Mr. Washington had never visited before, to visit Tuskegee graduates and come in touch with Negroes of aspiring worth in that section. At each of these places Tuskegee graduates were active in every line of endeavor. Excursions were run to each of the places visited, three running to Guthrie alone. It may be of interest to say that from the day Dr. Washington left St Louis, through Arkansas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, he was furnished by the railroad companies, not only with special transportation for himself and party but the special coach brought out of St Louis was hauled free over each line. Never before in the history of the Negro people have such courtesies been visited upon any representative of the race.

Dr. Washington's deep earnestness, his convincing eloqence, his wise admonition and advice reached hundreds and thousands of persons who have for many and many a year waited a chance to grasp him by the hand and hear his voice. It is not too much to expect that out of this visit will a larger and more complete civilization for the Negro people. He did not fail in a single address to put forth, the arguments advanced by him everywhere for the substantial, logical and complete progress of his people. The fact that the whites were in nearly every instance one-third of his various audiences and composed of the very best brain and culture in the various cities, including the wives and daughters of these men, is perhaps the main gratifying feature of the whole tour, It shows that the senseless clamor prosecuted by certain politicians has had no effect so far as the interest and confidence of the best white people of the South is concerned. The attendance and the publication of what was said will do much to help cement the friendly relations between the races.

The most tender and pathetic evidences were given not only of the respect and love of the superior elements of the race but the masses showed in every possible way how deeply they appreciated Dr. Washington's work in their behalf. It will be a surprise if he does not feel a certain amount of satisfaction because of the time given towards helping his people in this section of the country. The colored people through Arkansas, Oklahoma and Indian Territories have splendid opportunies and are taking advantage of them and making unusual progress.

MINEOLA, TEX.

Mrs. Celia Riggins gave a supper last week and everybody had a nice time Quite a number from Smith County and other places were present. Prof. F. J. Jones is with us and will open a writing school —Campbell Bros plryed here last week to a large audience.

THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW

WRITES OF HOWARD UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS

PRESIDENT GORDON RESIGNS

Says Dr. Francis J. Grimke Should Be New Head—Gordon's Lack of Sympathy for Negro too Notorious—His Resignation Well Received.

(STAFF CORRESPONDENCE.)

The report from Washington that President John Gordon, of Howard University, has tendered his resignation, is cheering news to the colored people throughout the country, all of whom feel a personal interest in the well-being of the race's leading institution for the higher education. No man ever entered upon a public duty with stronger support than was accorded Prof. Gordon when he made his appearance at Howard, although he was practically unknown as an educator. But before many moons had elapsed, it was clearly evident that a mistake had been made, and the fact that the job was too big for the new president, was perceptable even to those disposed to conceal his shortcomings. Whether he was badly advised as to color conditions in Washington, or whether he was instinctively opposed to "social equality," he was not long in betraying his aversion to continuing the amicable relations that had been customary at the school between the faculty and the President on social occasions, and his lack of sympathy with the Negro people's higher aspirations soon became notorious. So flagrant were his discriminations and so revolutionary did his methods of administration grow, that the friends of the institution were moved in self-defense to demand an investigation. Incomplete as the preliminary testimony was, the revelations were of such a nature that his further usefulness was at an end, and nothing was left but to ask that he hand in his resignation. Behind him, as aid and abettor, was Rev. Teunis S. Hamlin, president of the Board of Trustees, whose narrow view of the Negro's "place" in the economy of American education, was well-known, and to his baleful influence many attribute Prof. Gordon's down-fall. Hamlin is pastor of the Church of the Covenant, Washington's "bluest-blooded" Presbyterian congregation, and the brother-in law of Gordon. He exhausted every effort to cry down the opposition, and sought to sustain the relative whom he had installed at Howard, but the colored people for once were not to be placated by honeyed hypocrisy, nor bribed by promise of position. It seems that they have carried their point, and Gordon must step down and out. We await a positive confirmation of the report. If it isn't true, it ought to be, for since the affairs of the school have been in such an unsettled condition, the registration has fallen off materially, and the prestige of the school has suffered beyond hope of repair as long as so unpopular a president as Gordon is permitted to remain at its head. No one wishes to send his boy or girl to an institution designed expressly for the higher training of colored youth, where the atmosphere is laden with race prejudice and where the best instincts are chilled by the specter of social degradation and white supremacy. A change is absolutely essential to the future prosperity of Howard University, and it is to the credit of the Alumni and the friends of the time-honored institution that the threatening evils have been given such a degree of publicity as to make the necessary reforms possible.

If there is to be a new head at Howard, the time is ripe for a discussion as to who it shall be. The entire country has a right to take part in such a discussion, for the school belongs to all the people, and every section is equally anxious that a wise choice be made. It is pretty generally agreed that the happiest results could be achieved under the administration of a colored educator of acknowledged breadth, scholarship and executive capacity. Where is the man to be found who measures up to the qualifications demanded and whose personality is acceptable to the numerous elements to whom the institution must look for support? Comparisons are said to be odious, but at present, the trend of sentiment seems to be overwhelmingly in favor of Dr. Francis J. Grimke, whose learning, piety, liberal culture and race loyalty, have earned for

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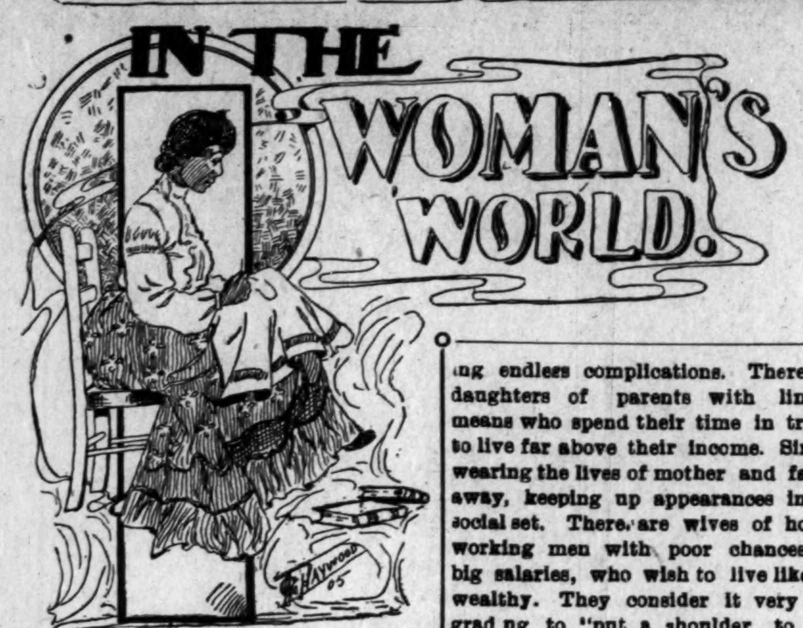

BY "DOROTHY."

This column is devoted to the interests of women. Address all communications to the Woman's Department, The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

HARVEST PAST.

My song is half a sigh
Because my green leaves die;
Sweet are my fruits, but all my leaves are dying;
And well may Autumn sigh,
And well may I
Who watch the sere leaves flying,

My leaves that fade and fall,
I note you one and all;
I call you, and the Autumn wind is calling.
Lamenting for your fall,
And for the pall
You spread on earth in falling.

CHRISTINA ROSSETTI,

CONDEMNS THE IDLE RICH.

In the November North American Review in an article on "Opportunities and Responsibilities of Leisure Women," Mrs. Russell Sage condemns the idle rich. Among the many things, she says, "There is an immense amount of feminine talent and energy wasted in the world every day. This is not due to the indifference or the laziness of woman, for she is eager to do, to accomplish, to go out into the field of life and achieve for herself and her kind. But she simply does not know how. One of the important movements of the day, therefore, is the reawakening of woman, the building her up on a new basis of self help and and work for others. That movement will set loose an amount of energy and talent that will revolutionize our social life."

Mrs. Sage thinks selfishness and idleness great sources of danger. She thinks women's laxity toward drinking and smoking is injurious and that this laxity is remotely responsible for the cigarette smoking habit among reputable young women. They indulge in order to affiliate with young men and be considered "good, fellows. "Drinking is indulged in to an appalling extent by women of the wealthy idle class and their daughters are following in their footsteps. The great danger of this is that the idle rich class influences the succeeding strata of society.

Mrs. Sage also denounces gambling as one of the "inevitable concomitants of idle extravagant life." She tells of hostesses politely "bullying" men into games of poker or bridge whist and making them pay dearly. Rooms are hired and furnished in all parts of New York City by fashionable young women who do nothing but gamble there. She recommends women of leisure to apply themselves to missionary work in improving towns amd villages.

Among our women we have the "idle would-be rich" class that is causing endless complications. There are daughters of parents with limited means who spend their time in trying to live far above their income. Simply wearing the lives of mother and father away, keeping up appearances in the social set. There are wives of honest working men with poor chances for big salaries, who wish to live like the wealthy. They consider it very degrading to "put a shoulder to the wheel." Time that they can ill afford is spent in clubs with no purpose other than the gossiping about friends and enemies.

The rich have their millions and must answer for failure of duty. We suffer here in a financial way, in failing to do our part, and called to give a strict account of our doings in the end. It is alright to pattern after the rich in the right, but wrong is wrong no matter by whom it is committed.

Ten thousand dollars and a kiss from the leading society woman, of Memphis, was the reward given to Dr. Herber Jones, president of the Memphis Board of Health, in recognition of his successful efforts in keeping the city free from yellow fever during the recent visit of the scourge in the Southern States. The money was raised by subscriptions of influential citizens, The society woman was the wife of a millionaire.

Notice in an Australian ballroom: "No lady shall wear a dress cut lower than from point to point of the shoulders, the committee to be judges of the matter."

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LITERARY NOTES.

About nine thousand topics, it is said, will be covered by the new Standard Bible Dictionary to be issued some time next year. It will have many foreign contributors and will contain illustrations and maps.

The Cathederal Series are commanding a great amount of attention. The most recent additions are "The Cathederals and Churches of the Rhine," by Francis Miltoun, with eighty illustrations from original drawings, and many minor decorations by Blanche McManns, This series affords a splendid chance for the lovers of art and architecture to study the grand and lesser cathederals of Europe. A pleasing presentation of picturesque facts concerning a subject in which all well-informed persons may be supposed to be interested, is given by Blanche McManns and Francis Miltoun. Miss McManns is recognized as one of the foremost artists and decorators.

The "Cathederals of Northern Spain" is by Charles Rudy. The cathederals of Spain have a different character from those of other countries. The author is an American by birth, but was educated in Europe. As a correspondent for several leading publications abroad, he has become widely known. Previous volumes in the series are "The Cathedrals of Southern France" and "The Cathedrals of Northern France," by Francis Miltoun and "The Cathedrals of England," by Mary J. Taber.

Another series that is also attracting the attention of readers is "The Art Galleries of Europe." The new volumes for 1905 are "The Art of the National Gallery (London), by Julia De W. Addison and "The Art of the Venice Academey," by Mary Knight Potter. The books are interesting and important contributions to literature. They deal with all the treasures of the various world-famous galleries in a way to interest artists, lovers of art, travelers and the general reading public. Each gallery is represented by a volume written by an art critic of taste and reputation. The text is authortative and scholarly and it is also interesting and enjoyable. The previous volumes of this series are "The Art of the Pitti Palace," by Julia Dest. Addison, and "The Art of the Lorive" and The Art of the Vatican," by Mary Knight Potter, (L. C. Page & Co., publishers, Boston, Mass.)

"Red Fox" is an interesting animal story told by Charles G. D. Roberts. Red Fox is a magnificent creature, and from his babyhood to his final triumph over the enemies of his kind, proves himself of royal blood and true to the finest instincts of his race. There are fifty illustrations, including frontispiece in colors by Charles Livingstone Bull, (L. C. Page & Co., Publishers.)

One of the most striking pieces of illustration that has yet come to our attention is in the November number of Smith's Magazine, in an article dealing with "A New Milky Way." The simplicity of the means used and the remarkable effect produced is a fresh example of the strides that are being made in the printing and illustrating art. The article itself fits the illustration in its striking features, for it gives an entirely new explanation for certain astronomical phenomena. The magazine is well worth glancing over for its pictorial effect alone. The art studies that open it are worth while as pictures, aside from the interest attaching to the actresses depicted there. Smith's is the biggest illustrated magazine that has come to our hands, and it is certainly one of the most interesting. There are serials by Charles Garvice and Mary J. Holmes, and there is a collection of unusual short stories. There is an article on the adulteration of foods that should interest every one.

SHORT FLIGHTS.

"Sylvester Russell's Magazine' is scheduled to appear about January 1st.

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The success of the Garrison Movement as a national concern is assured.

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Lying never helped a cause, and misrepresentation is always short-lived. Tell the truth.

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Lyons and Dancy did herculean work in the Ohio and Maryland campaigns for republicanism,

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Bishop Walters' clean-cut interview has set the animals to growling in low, guttural tones. It was a "corker."

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E. W. Crosby is doing some neat "Journaletts" for the Cleveland Journal. The paragrapher is having his innings these days,

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The National Afro-American Council seems to have the "call" as the race's premier protective organization. It talks little, but "does things."

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A leader is not necessarily a "boss." The former is chosen by the will of the people, while the latter sets himself up in power through a personal machine.

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Mrs. Carrie W. Clifford at least "smoked 'em out." A clever woman is worth more than her weight in gold, and when she exerts herself, the wittiest man dosen't have a "look in" for his portion.

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Jim Crow car laws will be modified in the South when the walking habit of the courageous, self-respecting Negro cuts deeply into the profits of the traction companies. A white man's race prejudice weakens when his pocket is assaulted. It is his solar plexus.

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The continuance of the colored street car company in Jacksonville, Florida, shows that grit will win out in due season, and that the way to get even with a business that discriminates against us, is to place rival enterprises in the same field and force a division of trade.

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Lack of proper capital is the Negro's greatest hindrance to business advancement. It takes money to make money. The remedy lies in the stock company, where the mites of many can be so massed and invested that the enterprise can compete on even terms with the best of its kind, regardless of race.

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Robert C. Ogden, the eminent New York financier, merchant and philanthropist, gives it as his opinion that the intelligent Negro in this country has the greatest opportunity for usefulness that lies before any American citizen. Why, indeed, may not the rejected stone again become the head of the corner?

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The rabbit foot story that the ingenious reporters are working off on Booker Washington is a "chestnut." It bears a family resemblance to the tales the Atlanta Constitution used to tell about Col. "Bill" Pledger, without half of "Uncle Remus'" infectious humor. Those Washington penny-a-liners ought to see Bob Cole and get some new ones.

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Wise Negroes are not wasting valuable time in lamenting the white man's refusal to accommodate them in his hotels, restaurants, schools of law or medicine, dental parlors, barber shops, etc., but are turning this color discrimination into dollars by opening up establishments themselves to cater intelligently to the vast custom which the whites are rejecting 'It's an ill wind that blows nobody good."

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A Boston scientist, noting the frequency with which Negroes live to be one hundred years old, says more blacks reach the century mark than whites, yet a Negro of one hundred does not actually live as long as a white man who dies at an earlier age. He asserts that a black man puts in an extraordinarily large share of his time in sleep, and estimates that a white man who dies at the age of sixty will have as many waking hours to his credit as the Negro who lives to be one hundred. Try it, if you can find some good examples.

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Indiana writers are too swift for the slow-going John Edward Bruce. Our hat is off to the esteemed Cleveland Journal for continued kindly mention. Being intensely human, we cannot but feel "tickled" over the many nice things the brilliant Editor Brascher has been gracious enough to say concerning the humble offerings we have been allowed to submit to the public. It is pleasing to note that the Journal practices as well as preaches the saving philosophy that there is more genuine cheer in an ounce of "taffy" than can be crowded into a ton of "epitaphy."

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If the black man is being crowded out of a few time-honored occupations, evidence is not wanting that he is gaining in the aggregate, through his increasing intelligence and consequent versatility. Dr. Macon Webster, of Brooklyn, N. Y., presents a carefully compiled review of the Negro business interests in New York and vicinity, showing that in 1870 the Negroes were engaged in just six different occupations. After thirty-five years of struggle with adverse conditions, the race now covers fifty-one branches of industry in Greater New York. There's progress for you!

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The appointment of Fred R. Moore as deputy collector of internal revenue by Collector Charles W. Anderson, is a fitting recognition of one of the very best men in this country. Mr Moore is active, far-seeing and honest, and as messenger, bank attache, manager of the Colored American Magazine, or as organizer of the Business League, he has always been faithful to his trust and loyal to his race. To him, more than to any other one man, is due the monumental success of the New York meeting of the National Negro Business League, and all freely acknowledge his executive capacity. Messrs. Anderson and Moore will make an invincible "team."

R. W. THOMPSON,

NATCHEZ. MISS.

The Masonic Grand Lodge will hold its annual convocation in this city Dec. 5, Rev. M. R. Dixon, who is the representative of the Grand Lodge has been here and an excellent programme has been arranged; the meeting takes place at Zion Chapel A. M. E. Church.—Rev. O. W. Chiles, the presiding elder of this district, has gone to his home at Port Gibson after having been detained in this city for two months by the quarantine restrictions.—It is with a feeling of sadness that we are called upon to chronicle the death of Rev. H. M. Foley at Woodville, Miss., recently. His death was not wholly unexpecten for he had been lingering for sometime. A good man has fallen and a giant against the forces of evil has gone to claim his everlasting rewards.—Eugene Strickland, his family and quite a number of others have returned from Los Angeles, Cal., having become dissatisfied over there on account of rapeated earthquake shocks. Mr. Strickland is preparing to go into the restaurant business again.—Rev. Calvin Hunter, pastor of Rose Hill Baptist Church has just returned from a trip to the National Baptist Convention at Chicago, and seems highly pleased.—Don't forget to read The Freeman, the race's greatest newspaper.

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Robert Casey is headwaiter at the Shoaff boarding house, Fort Wayne Ind. This house is one of the finest of its kind in the city, it being the home of the wealthiest, and it is quite an honor to work there for none are accepted but those having the best of reference.

In a recent contribution a writer spoke of a time when men who aspired for the position of a headwaiter were "measured across the stomach instead of the head" meaning mental capacity and ability vs. physical proportions. Those who succeeded then would probably not succeed now. While there is a bit of truth in this humorous way of putting matters, it is a fact that those who secured positions by such measurement did not succeed then and could not succeed now. There are many men still in the harness who are not college graduates, but whose ability and personality still shines out upon the path of the profession. In these days managers, proprietors and employers in all lines of trade and business enterprises are more careful in the selection of men to fill responsible positions than they were twenty and thirty years ago. Foremen in all lines of business are handling better brains and stronger men now than then. Times are more exacting. In fact men cannot be led as easily now; men to-day must mix brains with work. The size of the man cuts no great figure. It is the brain and its exercise; energy and enthusiastic spirit; it is ambition and will power that decides the measure of success as a leader of men. A big body is no longer the necessary requisite, while physical development in a strong well poise body counts greatly in one's favor. Health of body, health of character, a clear and observing eye, with quickness of thought and exercise of reason, kindness and consideration are some of the positive qualities of the men who have succeeded both past and present.

THE SECOND WAITER

The second waiter fills an important position wherever employed. It requires a man of great executive ability to make a good second waiter. Many filling the position would doubtless make better headwaiters than second, for in the exchange of position they would be brought face to face with many important facts not seen from their view point. It requires no little patience, cheerfulness and foresight to fill a position of an assistant headwaiter. The man who wants to have every waiter discharged the minute they disagree, not knowing how or where the headwaiter will be able to fill the place, is a dangerous assistant and often put peaceful conditions into confusion. The art of arranging the dining room, with an eye to every detail; with ventilation and cleanliness so thorough that it might be called perfect; with care to the ante rooms, private dining rooms, halls etc, all pale into insignificance if one is short of tact and thoughtfulness in the handling of men. Waiters are not the easiest class of men on earth to manage, and for this special reason the second waiter must cultivate and develop to a marked degree that sixth sense, or faculty of interpreting human nature—intuition, to make a successful assistant. From the position of head waiter in a small hotel one may graduate with profit, for in the small hotel the position is doubly difficult. Good waiters will not tarry long in a small hotel, and concessions and favors are always in order and extended to good men in such places. For this reason it often proves more profitable in the exercise of judgment than the position in larger houses where plenty of good men are on the waiting list.

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SHERMAN NOTES.

The Binkley Hotel waiters under the supervision of R. W. Thomas will give a swell banquet at Masonic Hall, Sherman, Texas, shortly, the date will be announced later.—Emory J. Douglass is in receipt of a letter from his nephew, Fred Douglas, who is touring the principal cities in Europe and Russia with his company, known as the 'Four Darktown Entertainers,' including, besides himself, Miss Laura Bauman, Messrs. Wm Garland and Pete Hampton. At present they are in Munchen, Germany, this month throughout, going from there to Dusseldorf, Germany, from Dec. 1 to 15, and from there to St. Petersburg, Russia, for five weeks from Dec 15.—All the young men are interested in The Freeman here.—We are sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Winnie Smith, sister of Wm. Smith, headwaiter at the Binkley Hotel. Mrs. Smith was a former student of Bishop Coll at Marshall, Texas, her home being at Honey Grove, Texas. She leaves, besides parents to mourn her loss, a loving husband, brother and sisters, a sweet little boy. In the death of Mrs. Winnie Smith the race has lost one of its purest ladies, parents, husband and little son have lost a darling child-wife and mother and Bishop Coll one of his best students. To the bereaved parents, family and relatives the Binkley Hotel waiters and citizens in general tender their sincere sympathy.

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A WORTHY ORGANIZATION.

The colored waiters of Atlantic City have formed a local branch of the Head, Second and Sidewaiters' National Association and are rapidly recruiting practically all of the dining room employes of the city into an organization that aims to benefit its members in both their social and professional relations to life. William J Nicholas, the first vice president of the local association, who is headwaiter at the Hotel Strand and one of the most intelligent men of his race in the city, declares that the purpose of the organization is to improve the knowledge of the colored waiter in the line of his vocation through the medium of schools, lectures literature and by the personal instruction on the part of the experienced men in the duties of a public servitor

Even the discussion of politics is prohibited within the organization except in the broad relation of public affairs to the social condition of the Negro waiters. The association is beneficial to the extent of relieving sick members or the families of those who are taken by death.

But one of the most important objects of the association is, to quote the by laws, "to use every preventive against insurrection or strikes."

This object will, and should, appeal to the employers of colored help and should bring the employer and the employe into a closer bond of sympathy and mutual confidence

The colored man is far more trustworthy in this respect than his white co-laborer. A strike among colored employes is so rare an occurance that there are hardly sufficient exceptions to prove the rule. And it is for this reason that the colored man has been more trusted and honored as a servant for generations than his white brother.

The vast majority of the colored men of Atlantic City are good citizens, honest and self respecting, and this new organization deserves the support and sympathy of the hotel proprietors.—Editorial in Atlantic City Daily Press.

It is a source of extreme gratification to all members of the National Association to note the recent organization of a local branch of the Head, Second and Side Waiters in Atlantic City, N. J. This organization has for its aim the betterment of its members and improving of the methods of studying new systems of successful hotel keeping, and of rightly applying such knowledge to furthering the interest and increasing the proficiency of colored waiters. We here quote a few lines from the address of our esteemed friend, Mr. H. Pettigrew of Pittsburg:

"Self preservation is one of nature's first laws and just in proportion as the men in our profession can be made to see and appreciate the fact that their own safety lies not in isolation, but in common with their fellow men, shall association expand and become a factor for good among our people. Had the idea of an organization like this obtained a foot hold among the head and second waiters in this country, ten, twenty and thirty years ago, by this time it would have become so well established that nothing could undo it. If men of capital and men of learning and experience find it to their advantage to unite their forces in order to win success, surely the colored head, second and side waiters of this country can learn a lesson from them, and by combining adds much strength to their position in the country. What has already been accomplished by the association is a source of daily inspiration to me compared with the former free-for all go-as-you-please methods. It makes all the years of the past appear like a period of chaos, out of which order is only now being restored.

"No man lives for himself alone; he may think he does, and pursue his course heedlessly and without regard of its effect on his fellowmen, but when the critical moment comes in his career, as come it will to the very best of men, if he is out of elbow-touch with those who by reason or reputation would be obligated to assist him, it remains only a question of time when the end of that man's career will be reached. Safety lies in number, especially if oneness of purpose pervade the minds of those comprising it. Let us build not for a day, but for all time. Let us model our plans, hopes and aspiration as far as they have reference to this association after the best examples of societies, and then, having made the foundation secure the superstructure which we erect will never crumble.

"There is a great and crying need of such an organization as this. Its performance is essential to our well being. It has already accomplished good work, and before it lies a field in which much more can be done. Every auxiliary established makes one more link in the chain which is my hope may, some day not far distant, girdle the whole country."

Take this good letter to heart. Study it earnestly, and apply its precepts and you will accomplish lasting good and advance the work and interest of the profession so much in need of such advice. The reason we do not accomplish more is because we do not attempt more. Much good lies before us in organized methods. The past is gone. So let not dead yesterday unborn to-morrow shame.

THE STEWARD'S POSITION.

Address Before the International Steward's Association at Atlantic City By Charles Melder of McGowan's Past Tavern, New York City.

The steward's position in America is in many respects unique, for his duties have been to a great extent evolved by the growth of the business in this country instead of having been imported. The steward's position here must, of course, be compared with that of "maitre d'hotel" in Europe. The American steward in a good size house does not, as a rule, give the same personal attention to the dining room or restaurant service as does his continental conferers, though, on the other hand, he gives a closer management to the other sections of the back part of the house. The stewart in our largest houses is still further removed from the European d'hotel, for in them he practically resigns his control of the actual service to customers, these duties devolving upon another executive officer who has come to be known by the title of "maitre d'hotel," though he does not hold the position which that title implies in Europe, as he does not do the buying and is manager only of the service corps and those immediately connected with it. This division of duties and responsibilities (for it is almost, if not entirely, a division) is undoubtedly attributable to the very large scale on which the hotel business is conducted in this country. A comparison of the business itself, taken as a whole, is also a somewhat difficult matter to handle. There are advantages on both sides. The European "maitre d'hotel" has the great advantage of a sufficient supply of trained employees who have thoroughly learned their business.

I need not dwell on the contrast to that picture which the hotel man here is brought face to face with, at least once or twice in a life time. In addition to the advantage of better trained help, the European "maitre d'hotel" has that of a greater proportion of better trained customers. By that I mean, of course, people who have been bred and brought up in the ways of the epicure, and are thus able to appreciate the aesthetic delights of the culinary masterpiece. Their very souls have been trained by decent through generations who have known what good living is, and their palates consequently respond at once to the art of the "maitre d'hotel" and the skill of the chef themselves inspired by that appreciation which is the breath of life to all creative genius.

The European "maitre d'hotel" would accept from this delicately appreciative clientele that formidable tourist arm which goes catering through Europe in such nervous haste that individual members are mentally incapable of discriminating between a bouillabaise and a consomme. On the other hand, however, the steward in America has first and foremost and inimitable advantage of being in America. Those of us who, after living here a few years, have gone back to the "old country" with the intention of remaining their, will appreciate the force of this statement and will require no other item in the list of advantages enjoyed by the mere fact of being a steward in Teddy Roosevelt's little principality.

It may be fitting to note here that the American steward has the advantage of markets unequaled anywhere — from every section of the globe, in fact—to a greater degree than those of any other nation. The American steward has also the advantage of catering to the most liberal nation on the face of the globe. A nation of more millionaires than all the other countries put together. The high class restaurants of our big cities have, by vieing with each other, almost unconsciously been conducting a campaign of education among the moderately well-to-do. To-day the up-to-date New York "diner out" is perhaps the most critical of any civilized being. He has been taught how things should be, and he is not content unless he gets them just exactly that way. As a result of thus vieing with each other in raising the expectation of their customers and exerting every effort to satisfy these expectations and then trying to surpass them so as to whet the appetites and stimulate the imaginations of their patrons, New York hotels and restaurants of the better class have, it is true, set themselves a most exacting standard to live up to, but that they perform their task pretty well, any how is demonstrated by the extraordinary growth of the business during the last decade and the fact that the metropolis now has a larger percentage of "diners out" than any other city in the world.

KEOKUK, IOWA.

The leaves are falling and we see our neighbors in their winter wraps.—The four churches of our town have aranged to hold union service at the A. M. E. Church, with Rev. Lewis and his people, Thanksgiving.—The Freeman is a welcome visitor to our city and its representative, Prof. G. Jones, made warm and lasting friends in our city. He is surely the right man for the work.—Mrs. Frank Robinson, 111 N. 3rd, street, Quincy, Ill., was the guest of Mrs. Charles Teabsan a few days last week.—Mrs. Sallie Thomas and Mrs. Nannie Jefferson spent a few days in Arlington, Iowa this week the guest of their cousin, Mrs. Leana Wheeler.—Mrs. Cross, an old and honored member of the A. M. E. Church, departed this life Nov. 18th. The church and community will sadly miss her.—The drama entitled "The African Queen" under the auspices of the Woman's Cleave Club, was largely attended and was a decided success. Mrs. Bindy proved herself, as did others, a competent actress.—Miss Nancie Phillips, daughter of Dr. F. H. Phillips, has returned to Kansas City where she accepted a position in the post office.—Miss Susie Brent, of Quincy, Ill., was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wilbert Fields, Saturday and Sunday of last week.—Mr. S. Garland, of Lincoln, Neb, is shaking hands with his old friends while on a visit to his mother.—Mr. Orange Fields is, we are sorry to say, on the sick list.—The many friends of Mrs. Dave Malone are glad to see her mother, Mrs. Mitchel, able to be out again.—Mrs. Berty Smith is on the sick list. We hope for a speedy recovery.—Mr. Frond Fields, a prosperous barber at 10th and Main streets, is still enjoying a good trade.—Prof E. Robinson made a business trip to Fort Madison, Iowa Tuesday.—Any one knowing the whereabouts of one Julia Bealer; her slave home was at Blaier's Ferry, near Cercy, Ark., as her relatives would learn something of importance by writing to Dr Phillips, 1802 Palean street, Keokuk, Ia., as the Dr. is acquainted and sees her son, Thomas Fierd, every day.—Our young men, as a whole, are trying to better themselves by attending church and not spending their liesure hours in visiting the saloons and gambling dives.

MINEOLA, TEX.

W. M. Patton, of St. Louis, Mo., was in the city last week on lodge business. A great many colored people will go to the Territory this winter.—Mrs. Lucy Shields is recovering from a recent illness.—Oscar Brinkley will make two hundred gallons of syrup this year. H. M. Cates has opened a wood yard.

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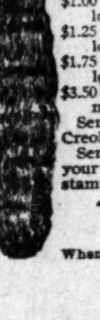
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OUR LEADERS.

Almost every community has its leader. We are inclined to speak of all these as leading colored men. They are supposed to be the leaders of their people. To them is largely left matters of action concerning the affairs of the race. The most conspicuous class among these is that of the clergy. That the men composing this class have been the most potent factor in directing and instructing the race can scarcely be denied. Just what we should have done without their help would be difficult to say. It is quite certain that we would have accomplished less either in the direction of moral growth or religious training. That this class has been an influence for good is most certain, in spite of the fact that that influence has been materially lessened by those of this profession who have been hindrances rather than helps. It is among this class that we are beginning to discern the greatest improvement. The ranting and spectacular preacher is finding himself less and less in demand. He no longer has the support and influence of the more intelligent class among his people. He is left to prey upon the weaker members of the race, and just in proportion as these advance in intelligence does he find that his support is drifting from him. He, it is, that makes up the hoard of preachers who dun candidates for subscriptions to his church, endorse his candidacy for a consideration and frequent committee rooms like vultures that prey upon the helpless, for certainly, those who have charge of the affairs of a political campaign are, in a degree, helpless in the face of demands made upon them by preachers who have a large following of voters. This class, we are glad to say, is fast passing away, but not with sufficient rapidity to suit the needs of the people they have so long misled.

It is among the politicians that we find another numerous body of leaders. It is among these, too, that we find the most stupendous failures so far as leadership is concerned. We have had but one Douglass, but one man with both the ability and the disposition to use that ability in the interests of his own people. Whether it were on the rostrum as a lecturer, on the stump as a campaigner, or in the service of the government as a representative, we never found his selfish interests standing between him and his people. These he served always with an earnestness and ability that brought respect from those who listened. Where, may we ask, is the successor to Douglass in the field of politics? We have but one man whom we can compare to Douglass, but he is not a politician. What he has made for himself and for his people was not made in the field of politics Not among all the contemporaries of Douglass was there one who was worthy to receive his mantle. We have had politicians whose numbers were legion, we know, but few of them were anything more than politicians.

From those who constitute this body of leaders we often hear the statement that the race is suspicious of leaders; that it will not follow them; and that it lacks that cohesive force so essential to race building. In this we confess that our sympathies have always been with the body that follows. We believe that this seeming lack of a cohesive force in the race is more largely due to the fault of these leaders themselves than to any other cause. If any race has had just cause for withholding faith in its leaders that race is our own. For years in which they had nothing else on which to rely. these leaders have industriously misled their people. Though not so unfortunately situated, the leaders among he Irish have ever been true to the interests of those who follow them. The leaders among the despised Jews have asked no higher reward than the privilege of rendering the highest and best service of which they were capable to their people. Not so has it been with the Negro. Their leaders have, time and again, abused the confidence reposed in them; have purposely misled those who followed them, and have used the faith of their people to promote their personal interests and petty ambitions. In fact, it may be truthfully said that one will have to look over an immense period to find a race of people who have so often been defrauded, debauched and ambushed by their own leaders as the Negroes in America. Under conditions such as surround us there are few crimes which seem to us as greater, or more reprehensible than the failure of these leaders to be in every way true to the people who trust them.

It is from the honest, industrious and uneducated mass that we are looking for the best that comes from the race. The leaders, with rare exception, have shown themselves untrustworthy because their race loyalty and their selfish interests are synonomous

SYLVESTER RUSSELL IS TO PUBLISH A MAGAZINE.

"Sylvester Russell's Review," a monthly magazine, is to be issued from Orange, N. J., Monday, January 1, 1906. Mr. Russell, who will be editor and director, will devote the greater portion of space to potent stage events, which will be illustrated. Miscellaneous articles by eminent writers will be a feature. Among some of the very first will be R. W. Thompson Nicholas A. Davis, Elwood C. Knox, Bob Cole, Jesse A. Shipp and Frank Clermont, with others to follow. The advertisement department is to be especially strong, as Mr Russell asserts that he will not depend on actors to make his magazine a financial success; he is sure of a reading patronage as all articles published in the Review will be entirely different from those which will appear in The Freeman. The enterprise is said by good authority to be on a good financial foundation. "Williams and Walker Before King Edward," illustrated, will be one of Russell's early travesty stories. Single copies of the Review will be on sale at popular agencies in many of the large cities. Subscription for a year will be one dollar, procurable at once by addressing the Sylvester Russell Publishing Company, Orange, N. J.

Evidently there are forces at work to secure the release of Mr. Biglow, the defaulting bank president of Milwaukee. Every few months there eminates from some mysterious source the statement that Mr. Biglow, who is now doing service in the Fort Leavenworth prison, is completely broken down in health and spirits, and has but a little longer to live. Then follow a few volleys from those newspapers over the country that are not wholly committed to the cause of plutocracy in which they state that the said Biglow has himself been the cause of many shattered lives and ruined hopes of those he has robbed, and then again comes the statement that the former dispatch was a mistake, that Mr. Biglow is somewhat depressed in spirits, but his general health is good. It does not require the wisdom of a sage to see that all this anxious solicitude for the health and happiness of this evil-doer is prompted by a desire to have the wealthy criminals escape the just penalty of their wrong doing.

It is not the intention of The Freeman to get out an elaborate Christmas number for the reason that our experience has proven that the end does not justify the expense. We shall, however, endeavor to give our readers some well selected reading matter at that time. Among this will be a poem by J. C. McAdams of Shelbyville, Tenn., entitled "St. Dixon at the Gate." It is a parady on the well-known poem, "St Peter at the Gate." Watch for it. You cannot afford to miss it. It is rich, and will be highly appreciated by every one, unless it be Dixon himself.

One by one the names are coming in asking for enrollment fn the Defense League. Many have been the letters received commending the plan. There is no basis on which to compute the amount of good accomplished, but it is certain that the work will have a wholesome effect in enlightening the heathen round about.

It will require more than denunciations and resolutions to destroy the humility, pathos and lofty sentiment of "Lead Kindly Light." Read the poem on this page and see if you do not agree with us.

The Freeman is Thankful

That we have so much to be thankful for.

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That the "hollerin' preacher" is going out of style.

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That the excursion season is enjoying a much needed rest.

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That Ex-Minister John S. Durham has "struck it rich" in Cuba.

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That the price of coal has not yet been advanced to the consumer.

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That Editor W. Calvin Chase is as happy as he can "Bee"—considering things.

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That the rule of the "boss" is at an end, and that the people are coming into their own.

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That Chris Perry managed somehow to save his diamonds from the Philadelphia wreck.

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That the Negro has more banks and bigger bank accounts than ever before in his history.

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That those useful factors in the uplift of humanity Bishop Arnett and Hood are to be spared to us.

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That Mr. Greener, consul at Vladivostok, at least has his job intact, even if under fire—of various kinds.

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That L. M. Hershaw will write us more reviews on Negro newspapers for the "Charities" Magazine.

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That Editor D. R. Wilkins has a real job, and will now know what he is "going to do when the rent comes 'round."

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That S. Laing Williams is allowing the other fellows to do all of the explaining, touching that Haitian appointment.

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That Indiana's favorite son, Vice-president Fairbanks, has an even chance with the "bunch" for presidential honors in 1908.

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That the Negro has been able to develop a "New Guard" to assume the places gradually being vacated by the revered "Old Guard."

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That our latest European travelers have about finished telling how each and every one of them got the lion's share of the limelight.

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That the colored people of the Southern cities that enforce jim crow car regulations are not afraid to walk in demonstration of a principle.

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That the average Negro congregation is rigidly insisting upon a higher average of morality and intelligence on that part of the ministry.

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That the demand for better schools and more accomplished teachers in the South is being hearkened unto by the leaders of that section.

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That W. L. Houston is so willing to sacrifice his time and personal interests to serve the Odd Fellows of the country as Grand Master.

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That no Austrian Ambassador stands any chance of getting his hands on our rabbit foot, anyhow, whatever he may do to our overcoat.

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That we are going more and more extensively into business, and that our women are holding their own in the vanguard of commercial progress.

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That no Negro has been charged with misappropriating any of the funds of the Equitable, New York Life or Mutual Life Insurance Companies.

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That Drs. J. M. Henderson, W. D. Chappelle, S. T. Tice, J. A. Jones, H. Y. Arnett and Ira T. Bryant are satisfied with the situation as it stands.

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That Dr. John Alexander Dowie is giving the century such a potent object lesson at Zion City in the practical workings of genuine Christian brotherhood.

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That T. Thomas Fortune didn't wait for some white Pierpont Morgan to think of the vast possibilities of a strongly capitalized Afro-American Trust Company.

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That the country has taken Tom Dixon's measure and found early in the game that he stands for nothing but the clannish opinion of the detested "Po' whites" of the South.

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That the little-headed critics of President Roosevelt's speeches have exhausted themselves in trying to prove that the distinguished gentleman said more than he meant, or meant less than he said.

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That the army of Negro correspondents is able to recruit itself from time to time with such valuable accessions as Cary B. Lewis, who is both interesting as a writer and judicious in the selection of his topics.

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That J. Ed Green, Sam Lucas, Ernest Hogan and Sylvester Russell have settled all existing differences over a few festive things they serve in Nail's refectory on "that quiet little street they call Sixth Avenue."

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That we are ceasing to be ashamed to celebrate Emancipation Day, and have learned to be proud of the great and good friends of freedom, like William Lloyd Garrison, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Phillips, Lovejoy, Sumner, Stevens, Purvis and Tourgee.

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That Charles Stewart, the "lily-white" Associated Press man, carries a large supply of moral courage into the South as well as into the North, and never forgets to hit race prejudice a solid lick where it will do the most good.

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That the Rev. Jay Albert Johnson has been happily cured of any further desire to "but into" the disfavor of newspaper men, and may yet "get wise" as to what constitutes decency and the eternal fitness of things in pulpit ethics.

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That Dr. George C. Hall of Chicago was able to turn out so able a citizen as Attorney Clarence Darrow as his post-graduate in the art of understanding the facts about the Negro problem before trying to discuss them from a white man's standpoint before an intelligent colored audience.

LEAD, KINDLY LIGHT.

Lead, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,
Lead Thou me on!
The night is dark, and I am far from home,
Lead Thou me on!
Keep Thou my feet! I do not ask to see
The distant scene; one step enough for me.

I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou
Shouldst lead me on;
I loved to choose and see my path; but now
Lead Thou me on!
I loved the garnish day; and, spite of fears,
Pride ruled my will; remember not past ysars.

So long Thy power has blest me, sure it still
Will lead me on
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till
The night is gone;
And with the morn those angel faces smile,
Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile.

That man who was arrested for pushing his wife away from the wash-tub and pouring out the water is entitled to a little mercy from the court in view of the fact that the vast majority of men prefer to push their wives into a wash-tub with only an occasional case of willingness to pump the water for them.

The things for which most people are thankful usually furnishes an insight to character. If selfish traits predominate the largest blessing we sse is sure to be something that is quite personal. To feel our greatest thankfulness for that which brings the greatest good to the greatest number is quite above us.

As might have been expected, the attempted secession of the Isle of Pines from Cuba was engineered by enterprising Yankees who wanted to steal an island.

Unless the eyes of the editor of this paper improve very soon we shall be compelled to put our work into better hands.

TOP O' THE WEEK.

Was the turkey really good or was the roast beef just as good?

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Many a head and heart is weary after Thanksgiving's dining and wining.

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You can give credit to the man who has good intentions, but never cash them.

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Its a hard blow to temperance when a man has to swim the river to get a drink on Sunday.

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By the looks of some of the faces of our neighbor's boys those Thanksgiving pies did lots of harm.

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When a man is compelled to wear a hand-me-down suit of clothes it is unkind to throw it up to him.

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If our neighbors were as ideal as we feel ourselves to be wouldn't things be heavenly about our homes?

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A kind word thrown at a man will go further toward a new three-quarter cloak than a rolling-pin will.

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If you want to see a strong organization look at the whisky dealers; if you want to see a weak one look at the consumers.

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From the looks of little Sammy of West street he certainly must have had an abundance of turkey or Kentucky oysters—one.

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It is hard to tell whether a man is humble in heart or not, and you cannot tell until you see him with his inferior fellewmen.

Dr. Harry W. Furniss has, probably, taught the colored politician that he can only be a success by becoming modest and assuming in a quiet way. The doctor is

HARRY W. FURNISS.

not one of those physicians who takes life easy, but one who takes whatever he can. Three cheers for Dr. Furniss, for he is the hottest one we've ever known.

CHARLES MARSHALL.

Forty Years a Freeman.

The children of Israel wandered in the wilderness for forty years after their deliverance from Egyptian slavery before entering the country which God gave their fathers. Just forty years ago our shackles fell off, and to-day the call comes all over this broad land of ours saying, "Let down your buckets where you are." The colored race has passed the days of race infancy and experience in the civilized world and is now launching their boat on the great ocean of progress. It is true we have no wealth as compared with some of our white brethren, but when we stop to consider that it has taken the American white millionaires four hundred years to accumulate their wealth, we can "pat" ourselves on our backs and say we done well. We want to introduce to our readers to-day some of our colored millionaires and enterprising citizens of Quincy, Ill.:

Wm. Tucker, real estate and loans, owns ten thousand dollars worth of property in the city of Quincy, and has property in the city of New York and many other cities in this country valued at nearly $200,000. When The Freeman reporter first met Mr. Tucker he would not have anything to say about his great wealth, but when informed that it might be an incentive to others of his race to go and do likewise, he gladly consented to talk for publication. "The great secret of my success," he said, "is summed up in a nut-shell. I simply made it a point to save some of all the money I made and put it to good use." He buys, sells and rents houses and lots and is past master of the black man's "skin game," that is, he understands how to utilize a white man's foolish prejudice to put dollars in his own pocket. Probably some of our readers do not know much about the black man's "skin game," so I will try to tell you how Mr. Tucker works it. You can work this "skin game" nine times out of ten if the foolish Negro hater has the money or if he can get it. When Mr. Tucker wants to work this "skin game" he simply looks around until he finds some notorious Negro hater who has some money and purchases the building next to his home, if he can get it in any way. After securing the building, or whatever it may be, he is then ready to work the game. The Negro hater of course cannot afford to have a Negro neighbor who wears dirty overalls, so he resolves that, if it takes his last dollar, he won't stand for it. Mr. Tucker usually makes from 50 to 100 per cent on these investments, and gets his money in a few weeks and then looks for another "easy mark." He was born a slave fifty-nine years ago; is a widower ond resides at 1510 N. 7th street when in the city.

Dr. H. J. Nichols, physician and surgeon, is a graduate of Howard University, Washington, D. C.; came to this city about six years ago; reports a fairly good practice; is 35 years old; married and has two daughters; owns a home at 819 N. 8th street valued at $2,000.

Miss Mary A. King of Unionville, Ill., is a student at the Armon Business College this city; she expects to complete her studies in book-keeping, stenography and typewriting March 1, 1906. Miss King is highly respected and is considered one of the most competent member of her class. She resides at 210 N. 12th street.

Capt. R. A. Byrd of Ca. I, 8th Regiment, I. N. G., is State Fish Warden; was appointed by Gov. Yates two years ago and is the only colored man in the United States holding office of this kind. Mr. Byrd was principal of Lincoln School of this city for nine years, a position he resigned to except the wardenship. He is 32 years old, handsome and unmarried; owns a very valuable building at 728 N. 8th street

Washington Morgan, contractor, plasterer and bricklayer, in business since 1873; owns a home at 621 Walnut street.

Isaac Morton, gardener and jobber in grain and farm produce, in business about three years. Mr. Morton is a great church worker and is a Methodist in faith; he resides at 210 N. 12th street.

J. R. Bass, barber, is located at 429 Vermont street; has been seven years in present location; runs an equal rights shop and has the best trade of any colored shop in the city; is 42 years old; married and has four children.

P. T. Swann is custodian of the Stern office building this city, a very responsible position; has held it for nearly a year. Mr. Swann is 56 years old; married and has one son; he resides at 311 N. 5th street.

George W. Dabner has been lineman of the Quincy Street Railway for seven years; of course you know, dear reader, that he is the best in the city or he would not hold his job; he is a young man; married and has one son; his home is located at 2027 Spruce street valued at $2,000.

The next article under this head will be a visit to the Lincoln School, Quincy, Ill. Present address: George H. Jones, 728 NO 10th street, Quincy, Ill.

BOLEY, I. T.

R. Joiner, of Clarksville, Ark., spent several days in the city making arrangements for future location. J. Blackburn, of the same city has material on the ground for a four room cottage. Rev. N. W. Oliver, pastor of the A. M. E. church preached his introductory sermon last Sunday to an appreciative audience. Rev McClain, of the C. M. E church also met his people for the first time.—Prof. U. S. White, with his assistant Miss Boone is getting the school into fine shape.—Several policies were taken out with the Equitable agent, showing that the Negro is learning to provide in a substantial way for his family.—Boley is becoming prominent for the amount of business done with the Ft. Smith and Western R. R., so say the company.

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DIVORCE LEGAL.

Sarah J. Patterson vs Albert Patterson	State of Indiana, Marion Co. ss.: in the Circuit Court of Marion Co., In the State of Indiana. No. 14590 Complaint for Divorce.

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 23rd day of Nov. 1905, the above named plaintiff, by her attorney, filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion county, in the state of Indiana, her complaint against the above named defendant, Albert Patterson and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant. Albert Patterson is not a resident of the state of Indiana and said cause is for divorce and that the above named defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 20th day of January, 1906.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said Court said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against him and that unless he appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 24th day of January, 1906, the same being the 18th judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in January 1906, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in his absence.

WM. E. DAVIS Clerk.

I. L. WISEMAN, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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The Stage

Fred Simpson is band master with the Georgia Minstrels, and renders a solo at each performance.

A London manager is going to lease a theatre for Negro performers exclusively. Cole and Johnson will open the house.

Price & Price are now resting at their home in Chicago, 141 West Forty-seventh street. They will open their winter season in vaudeville in that city.

W. M. Moore has closed with Pain's Fireworks Company and joined Proctor's Original "Arkansaw" Minstrels at Cairo, Ill. Permanent address 1719 Michigan Avenue, Chicago.

Clemo & Casselli are quite successful in vaudeville with great bookings yet to follow. Preparations are now being made a Ashland, Va., for the great Clemo & Caselli's Colored Circus, with Griffith B. Wilson as manager.

Blue's Concert Band will furnish the music at the Garrison Centennial Celebration at St. Louis, rendering a program of Negro melodies and National airs. J. H. Murray, edi or of the American Eagle will deliver the address.

Black & Jones have just finished one week at the Atlantic Garden and are now on the Family Circuit playing this week at the Palace, at Brooklyn, N. Y. They close the bill and are a big hit. Mr. Black wishes to hear from his brother, George Black, address, 65 Walton Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Notes from Billy Kersands Famous Minstrels.—Business and health very good. The Campbell Bros. are fine and dandy. Billy Nichols, America's greatest mimic has joined us. George L. Barton is back again. Our advance sale at Morgan City, La., was $700; one colored man bought $200 worth of seats. Regards to all friends.

Williams & Walker, whose return to the scenes of their earlier triumphs has created so much comment are heading this week's list of all-star vaudeville offerings at Proctor's Fifty-eigth Street Theatre. Although popular comedians, both here and abroad they forsook the congenial stage of variety performances for the promises held forth by the "legitimate."

Fred Lewis writes from E. K. Smith's Colored Aristocracy Company.—We played Spartanberg and Orangeburg, S. C,. to a banner week. Madam Essie Lewis is still called the Georgia song-bird and her encores are always numerous. Miss Susie Cooksey received news of the death of her brother at Terre Haute, a week after it occurred. Willie Zeak, the renowned buck and wing dancer and Prof. Shelby's band of eight pieces have been added. All the company are doing exceptionally well. Success everywhere.

The City Council of Los Angeles, by an ordinance recently passed has put its official ban on the chorus girl clad in tights. "Nothing objectionable will be permitted on the stage." is the decree of the Council and the word "objectionable" has been construed to mean the appearance of women in tights. Theatrical men, especially at the syndicate house where eastern comic opera companies appear, say they will fight the ordinance. Those who obtained its passage assert that in no Los Angeles theater will women be allowed to appear clad only in tights.

Notes from Gideon's Hot Time in Coontown:—Ed. O. Young, the manager closed in Des Moines, Ia., November 19, and left at once for California where he will spend the winter on account of failing health. John F. Egan has assumed the duties of manager. Everybody is well and satisfied with the business. We played two good houses at the Auditorium in Des Moines. A. A. Copeland, the Clarks and Prof. Woods' band were the big hits. Mr. Ferdon, the proprietor has engaged Queen Dora and J. English for the rest of the season. Regards to the profession.

Notes from Capt. W. D. Ament's Plantation.—We are playing the Florida State Fair at Tampa; three weeks stand with twenty-five other shows on the grounds and to S. R. O. We can seat 1,000 people. Our roster is as follows: Tom Simpson, stage manager, Ed. Howard, interlocutor, Porter & Simpson, extre ne end, Joe Means, Kate Porter, George Fletcher, Rosia Collins and Nettie Howard Prof. H. E. Collins, of Philadelphia is looking after the band and orchestra. Our olio consists of Joe Means, monologuist, Simpson and Salter, song and dance, Fletcher & Kennedy, talking comedians, Howard & Howard, in "How Do You Like It." Regards to all friends,

Notes from Col. M. H. Welsh's Scenic Production, "The Watermelon Trust."—The company now numbers thirty-five performers and musicians. Among them are Mr. and Mrs. LaVard, P. G. Lowery, Walter Lewis, Strauder & Strauder, Sallie N. Lee, T. Barefield, Montrose Douglass, and the Morrisses. The band is ably conducted by Prof. L. Davis, and Paul Halyard is the brilliant orchestra leader. Col. Welsh spares no money in making this the best show on the road. He is presenting to the public a show worthy of the patronage of intelligent people. Col. Welsh intends giving his company work all next summer at his Eastern resort, "Dreamland" at Chambersburg, Pa.

"Hottest Coon in Dixie" Company clased at Winnipeg, Canada, November 11. Prof George B. Rhone, musical director is visiting his wife at Hot Springs, Ark. Address 427 Walnut street.

Bland & Frye are on the 3 L. Circuit making good and are coming East. Regards to friends,

THE FREEMAN GALLERY.

JESSE SHIPP.

One of the for most playwrights of his day.

Let me reach my hand to thee
Halest master mind of our time,
And let me sing for all agree
Song praise is due thee from every clime;
Were I "In Dahomey" or just any place
In "Abyssinia" with "Sons of "Ham"
I would gladly sing with grace,
Your praise with the rest of the clique and clan.

—CHARLES MARSHALL.

THE FREEMAN POSTOFFICE.

LADIES' LIST.

Cooksey, Miss Susie	Paul, Mrs Mamie A
Fernandez' Miss M	Robeson, Miss Ada
Faust, Miss Maggie	Ray, Mrs Xerxes G
Hayes, Mrs V P	Sullivan, Miss Mollie
Johnson, Miss M E	Turner, Miss Agnes
Jes lune, Miss Sadie	Teinte, Mrs Bard
Lane, Mrs H S	Worfun, Miss T P
Obiit, Mrs H S	

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Armstrong, Thos	Moody and James
Barnes, Jerry	Mosbey, J H
Davis, Sam	McKinzie, Charles
Dotson, W A	Payton, Harry
Gilbert, Robert—2	Prince, A L—2
Gant, R H	Pope, Roy
Goodwin, Freddie	Reeves, The
Hunt, Hi Henry	Russell, Joseph
Jestune, Dr Leete	Smith and Bailey
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A Rabbit's Foot Co: Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 4; Montgomery, 5; Union Springs, 6; Eufaula, 7; Clayton, 8; Ozark, 9.

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Georgia Minstrels: Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 3, 4, 5.

Proctor's Original "Arkansaw" Minstrels: Meridian, Miss., Dec. 3 to 8.

Puggsley Bros.: Xenia, O., Dec. 4 to 10.

Mallory Bros. and Brooks, assisted by Miss Grace Halliday: Auditorium Theater, Lynn, Mass., week of Dec. 4.

Al E. Holman's Serenaders—Folies, Manager—Paris, France, Aug. 1 to Sept. 30; Parisiana, Oct. 1 to 31; Nederlausch, Panoticum Amsterdam, Holland, Nov. 1 to 30.

The McCarvers, Sadie and Billy: Lansing, Mich., week of Dec. 4.

The Brewers (John and Maud and F. R. Mc Adoo)—Rarortonga, Cook Island, South Seas, December to January.

Frank Mahara's Minstrels: Mt. Olive, Ill., Dec. 4; Virden, 5; Auburn, 6; Gerarl, 7; Jacksonville, 9.

EASTERN JOURNALIST AND NEW YORK CORRESPONDENT OF THE FREEMAN.

CARLE B. COOKE.

Nowadays the stage reviewer who can set forth facts and is in the position to gain them and then does nothing else but give them, is the party to whom the public is looking. Carle B. Cooke, the New York journalist has proven himself to be a writer of this style. Mr. Cooke is a comedian of quality but his strongest power is as a writer and a famous career in the journalistic field for him seems quite apparent.

NEW YORK LETTER AND HOGAN COMPANY NOTES.

BY CARLE BROWNE COOKE.

The world famous Admiral Prince Louis of Battenburg, who has been wined and dined and feted by the New York Four Hundred as well as Mrs. Astor's "Seventy-Nine" Exclusives has pulled anchor and set sail with his great English fleet for Gibraltar. With old St George's cross waving from the mast head of his six great cruisers and waving a regretful farewell to his Yankee couisins, Prince Louis' fleet steamed slowly on to the Mediterranean Sea. Naval ethics did not call for it, but thirteen guns were fired by the gunner's mate of the flagship Drake as a last expression of the hospitality extended the officers and men during their most enjoyable fortnight's visit in old Manhattan.

At the banquet given to the joint party of the British and American Sailors at Coney Island was a monster feast, music and joy reigned supreme, but what impressed me most was the common good will and courtesies extended to all. Among the crews were noticed several under officers and sailors of Ethiopian descent, and the chief gunner's mate of Prince Louis' flagship was a colored man. Harry Burleigh, New York's noted baritone singers sang at a house party given by one of Mrs. Astor's exclusive entertainers in honor of the Prince. The entire party were delighted with Mr. Burleigh's rendition of classical selections as well as his own clever and highly entertaining compositions.

Mr. Burleigh will be heard at the Second Annual Recital at Carnegie Hall in New York, December 27, for the benefit of the colored branch of the Y. M. C. A. in New York City, with George Allen as general manager. Carnegie Hall is at Fifty-seventh street and Seventh avenue and is one of the best halls in the city for a recital. Madame C. W. Allen, the noted dramatic reader will be a feature of the elaborate program to be offered. Aside from her and the "baritone king" Burleigh, the following artists will appear: Madame E. A. Clough, prima donna, Prof. W. F. Craig, violin virtuoso: Melville Charlton, concert organist and pianist, and the one-act drama "The Duel That Didn't Come Off" with the following cast: Miss D. Douglass, S. E, Dance, A. Waters and W. H. Thomas. The committee on arrangements is: Rev. W. H, Brooks, chairman, R. W. Gilbert, vice; J. A. Robinson, secretary; J. F. Comey, treasurer, Rev. H. C. Bishop and others.

C. Franklin Taylor, the expert chaffeur for the family of the late Daniel S. Lamont is one of the most progressive and public-spirited citizens in New York City. I was recently entertained at his home if Manhattan and I was delighted to learn on Mr. Taylor's exceptional talent as an amateur photographer as well as a noted chef He was one of the valuable chefs in private car service for five years. He has been engaged to go with Mrs Lamont's family on her tour of Eur pe next year.

The Clermontos, the clev r Hawaiian Duo, have returned to the Metropolis after a short tour of the Keith's Circuit. Their new songs, clean comedy and plantation specialties are just what is needed by managers desiring something good and original in a refined and highly entertaining colored act. They deserve complete success and every encouragement.

In a recent letter and clipping from the "Rufus Rastus" Company appears the following tribute to this promising organization. "One of the most pretentious productions ever given by an organization of Colored American entertainers met enthusiastic approval at the Lyceum Theatre (Cleveland, O.) 'Rufus Rastus' is the title of the offering and Mr. Ernest Hogan, who styles himself as the 'unbleached' American is the company's star. The piece is a song and dance specialty show with little plot and lots of fun. Mr. Hogan who is one of the most successful comedians on the American stage is ably supported by Mr. Harry Gilliam, late star of the 'Queen of Hayti' Company, J. Edward Green, Mr. Francis Morris, Mayme Emerson and about fifty high-class entertainers. In his present role Mr. Hogan is afforded grand opportunities to display his power of versatality as well as his unlimited ability as a laugh producer."

Sam Lucas sends his regards to his friends with the "Rufus Rastus" Company. I will try to give him a testimonial in December or January. It will be given as a compliment to him, whom I consider the loyal, active "dean of the Colored American actors."

The following is a list of letters at John B, Nail's Hotel, 450 Sixth Avenue:

Miss W. Devereaux	James S. Williams
Edward Browne	A. S. Mealy
Benjamin Potter	G. A. Dannis
J. D. Lewis	L. F. Vierro
Thomas Cole	Frank Worknock
Eugenia Singleton	J. C. Taft
Fred Miller	Joe Moseley
J. A Green	Chas. S. Sager
Richard Ragsdale	Walter Johnson
Alice Aimee	John Washington
Chas. Murray	M. Goodhall,
Leon Mitchell	

STAGE NOTES BY THE CRITIC.

Miss Flora Batson has met with much individual favor on her tour of New Jersey and New England.

Just one glimpse at Charles Marshall's actor's gallery and you see things poetically as only Charles can see them.

"In Dusky Dahomey" is the name of another new comedy that may give Mr. Robert Cole another shock.

White reporters will ever advertise a Negro actor if they can succeed in coaching him to say just whatever they want in favor of the white race.

Billy Johnson and the Maori girls are a new vaudeville attraction. Mr. Johnson met with a serious accident to his eye and was laying off at last report,

Miss Helen Ogden, a new song b rd has fluttered into New York from the West. After hearing many favorable reports about Miss Ogden, the critic is anxious to hear her sing.

The once popular Indianapolis comedian was just about to be highly commended on some good points the critic saw in his recent letter to The Freeman from Manchester, Eng., but he still continues to sling mud at the critic from his fading reputation and sad lack of intelligence.

After a long period of golden quietness Mr. Pat Chappelle is wending his way into a path of intelligence and we truly hope so. Actors who have incidents to regret, through clashing with the critic may yet have much cause to be glad for, after much sorrow the heart is made better.

The critic is a very mean fellow in the eyes of some performers. If these same performers were in the critic's position, I guess the profession would find everybody painted as black as night. But as it now stands, the critic is moving up with the intelligent progressive procession toward the heavenly light.

John W. Lefever, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., a baritone singer who had recently taken out a company of his own, was taken ill on the road and died at Wilkesbarre, Pa. hospital, October 26, after an operation had been performed for appendicitis. He was an Odd Fellow and a member of several social clubs.

J. C. Rockwell's "Sunny South" company touring New England and Canada comprises the following people: Billy Briggs, George Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Drake Jessie Mitchell, Louis Bedford, Henry Van Dennis Green, John Goodley, Albert Harris, Teddy Redmond, John Jeffrey, Albert Prevoa, Gertrude Cook, Gertrude Holden, Lillian Weathers and Oscar Alex musical director.

J. Ed. Green's name will never be a household word because of his utter lack of real genuine knowledge. He was decidedly unbalanced in his letter written at an improper time to The Freeman regarding Sam Lucas. It was Bob Cole and the critic who were having a private chat at the Marshall House in New York. Will Dixon was with us by invitation. When Green dropped in and saw us he joined us. It was no private affair of his. In fact Green was there as a pupil.

SYLVESTER RUSSELL,

CHICAGO NOTES.

The Alabama Quartet are at the Haymarket this week.

Williams & Stevens are filling several engagements in the city.

The Eighth Regiment Band rendered a fine program Friday night of last week to a large audience.

The Pekin entertained the entire Hogan company. Manager W. H. Smith made special preparations for them.

Madame Hackley, who has been appearing in the East and meeting with great success, is soon to appear at Bethel A. M. E. church.

Madame Rosa Lee Tyler, the sweet nightingale singer, who is in the ci'y for a little recreation, will leave shortly for a long tour of the vaudeville.

Madame Marion Adams Harris, is soon to return to Chicago, having severed her connection with Hogan's "Rufus Rastus" Company in New York City.

The Whitman Sisters entertained Ernest Hogan and Will H. Smith at dinner last week at their home. Among the guests were Matt and Beverly Housely and a few ladies. Mr. Hogan gave several box parties during his engagement there.

P. B. ROSS HENDRIX,

THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW

(CONTINUED FROM FIRST PAGE)

him an enviable standing among the masses throughout the land. He is the pastor of the 15th street Presbyterian Church at Washington, and as a member for years of the Board of Trustees, has done much by his conservative and level headed attitude on all issues, to give the school the proud reputation it has long enjoyed. Profs. Kelly Miller and L. B. Moore, of the present faculty, are competent, but it is not likely that they will be considered available. Dr. J. W. F. Bowen is mentioned, and the friends of Prof. W. F. B. DuBois, Roscoe Conkling Bruce, W. S. Scarborough, G. N. Grisham and Hugh M. Browne are saying kind things of their fitness for the position. It is our desire that the best man be chosen, but candor compels the statement that Dr. Grimke more nearly fills the bill, under existing circumstances, and we believe that his selection would satisfy more people than any other gentleman who has been mentioned in this connection.

The Inter-Church Conference at New York was a glowing success, and with a unamity simply marvelous, the representatives of thirty distinct denominations and over twenty million communicants, agreed upon a plan of federation that is bound to increase the efficiency of the Christian church in its battle with the ills that beset humanity. The details are yet to be submitted to the several denominational bodies for ratification, and it will take years to perfect the system, but the plan of action is so broad and so considerate of all creedal differences, that there will be no conflict anywhere serious enough to imperil its adoption. The attendance of colored ministers was large and represented the best thought of the race. The inspiration they received from this great gathering will be felt most helpfully by the various constituencies over which they preside. We are glad they were there for the higher classes of the white people see far too little of the educated and refined classes of our race. Bishop Derrick delivered an address good enough for anybody to hear, and nailed our banner on the loftiest pinnacle.

As w write, the news that the fund raised by the Jews of this country for the relief of their suffering brethren in Russia has reached the enormous sum of $878,000! This is more than three-quarters of a million! How many of us can really conceive of how much money this is, and comprehend what the monster contribution means to the Jews in sacrifice of needs or pleasures of today, that the life of their kindred may be raised above the level of the dog? As we read of this signal example of racial self-reliance—almost pathetic in its enthusiasm—are we not lead to a more solemn consideration of our own condition, and stirred to a deeper sense of duty to our less fortunate brethren who know not the freedom that is ours? Upwards of a million dollars for protection and food and shelter! What a magnificent testimonial to the efficiency of the dollar, as against mere vociferation and empty sentiment, for the preservation of life, liberty and property! In the midst of dire distress, the Jew calmly looks to his own resources for aid. Without delay, without any indulgence in childish complaint, this scattered, scourged and expatriated people proceed to do for themselves that which the Negroes too often beg others to do for them. The Jew figures out the value of the boon he craves, and arranges to pay the price that merciless conditions demand. While many of our people are hurling maledictions at the head of the whites for their cruel practices and are bending the back in abject helplessness, the valiant Jew girds up his loins and goes deep into his pocket to buy the immunity that cometh not by petition, and which it would be suicidal to attempt to obtain by resort to arms.

R. W. THOMPSON.

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IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS.....

By JOHN L. FOOTSLUG.

FIRST TITLED HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION OF THE WORLD.

Much discussion is now going on as to who was the first "real" heavyweight champion of the world under the Marquis of Queensberry rules. George Siler, the fistic authority has it that James J. Jeffries was the first world's heavyweight champion and W. W. Naughton declares that James J. Corbett was the first "real" heavyweight champion. But in tracing down the true history of both fighters in their ring career the credit of the first heavyweight champion should fall to James J. Jeffries without any dispute.

To begin with, the time that Jim Corbett beat John L. Sullivan, at New Orleans, on September 7, 1892, it was conceded that Sullivan was the champion under London prize ring rules, and that there was no world's glove champion. Of course Corbett was then the 'real" champion of America. But he could not be called champion of the world for he had not lifted the belt from Frank Slavin, who was then the acknowledged champion of England, nor had he met Peter Jackson who held the same honors for Australia.

It was on May 30, 1892 that Peter Jackson defeated Frank Slavin before the National Sporting Club, of London for the championship of England and Australia. When Corbett fought Charlie Mitchell at Jacksonville, Fla., then Mitchell was advertised as being champion of England but he was not. If Mitchell had met and defeated Peter Jackson he would have then been champion of England and Australia, and Corbett would have been champion of the world of that weight.

As to Fitzsimmons as a champion of the world's heavyweights he can no more claim the title than can Corbett because his battles with Maher and Corbett only won him the titles for this country. He never fought, during his whole career, a man who had any claim upon a championship title, only in this country. Jeffries had the right to first honors as champion heavyweight from the fact that he won them from the world's champions. He defeated Joe Goddard who had won the championship of England and had defeated Peter Jackson, who was boss over England and Australia. Of course that made him champion over those countries, and since he had beaten every man in this country. that made him the first "real" champion of the world

When Jeffries was in the fight game it is said, that he could trim any man in the world. Local sports declare that Jeffries with all his power as a man was never the fighter that John L Sullivan was in his balmy days. Perhaps that is so, but it is somehow hard to tell as Sullivan strained his physical ability by drinking. Jeffries has shown himself to be a wonderful man in of point preservation. After considering everything, both have been mighty men in their day.

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Jimmy Coffroth, the fight promoter of California says there is no truth in the story which has been circulated to the effect that he will act as Joe Gans' manager when he gets back to 'Frisco. "I wouldn't mind being Gans' manager, but as I have never been manager of pugilistics I don't think I will make an exception in Gans' case," said Coffroth. "Gans was a great fighter, and I still believe is just as good as he was a few years ago when he beat Erne for the championship title." Coming from the source it does, I deem this to be very good. Jimmy was never nothing more than a promoter and it can hardly be expected for him to break in as a "pug" manager though he may have the necessary knowledge and influence. We are glad at least to have him a friend in Gans' large list.

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W. W. Savage, of Minneapolis, Minn, recently bought Cresceus, the world's champion trotting stallion, record 2:02½ for $41 000. Mr. Savage is the owner of Dan Patch and Directum. George H. Ketcham, of Toledo, O., was the former owner of Cresceus.

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Young Corbett is now trying to get on a six round bout with Jimmy Britt before one of the clubs in Philadelphia.

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Danny Dougherty and Harry Forbes both former bantamweight champions ma fight in Savannah, Ga., in the near future.

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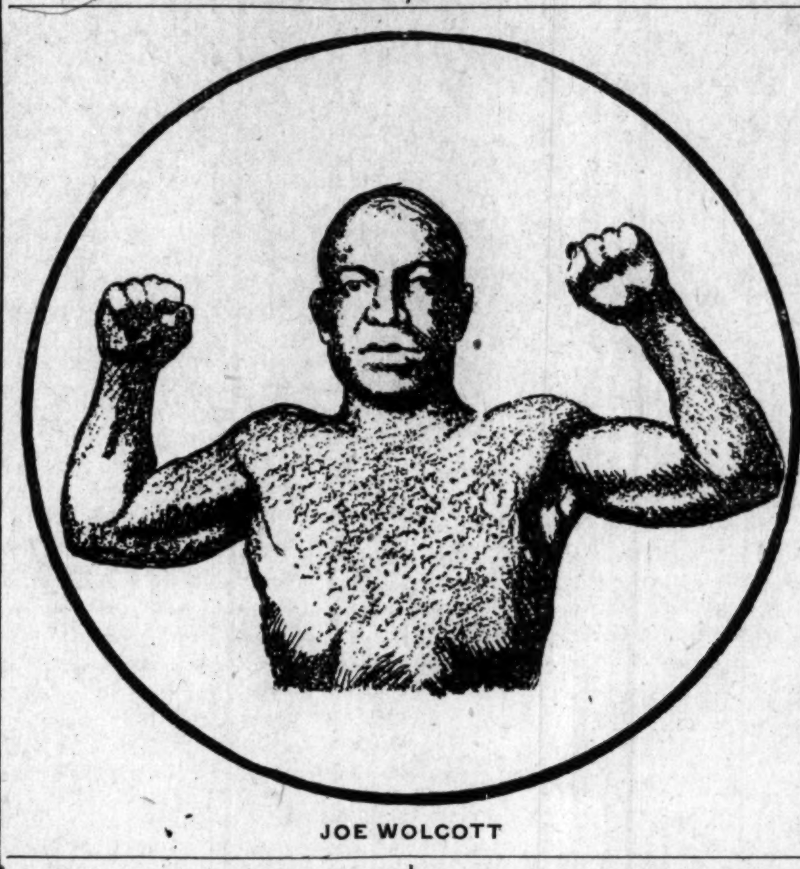
The retirement of Joe Wolcott brings to mind the memory of a very creditable ring general. Joe Wolcott has been a great fighter in his day and has won victory over some of the most victorious prize ring men. Had it not been for the sad mishap that befell him about a year ago, he would have maintained a place among the front ranks today. But the revolver shot wound that he received in his arm caused him to leave off effective work as a fighter. Once he tried to rally but his hand would not permit it.

He was one of the best welterweights of his day for he won more out and out battles than any other fighter of his weight in the business. His last fight with Gans, September, 30, 1904, at San Francisco, showed his remarkable ability as a fighter, for there never has been a better display of science in no twenty round draw than in that especial fight. But probably his best showing was made in New York, the night of April 25, 1899 when everything was in favor of Dan Creedon. Creedon was matched against Wolcott for a ten round go, and all the local sports were putting their money on Creedon in the two to one style. It was very surprising when Joe Wolcott stepped in the ring and put his man out in one round. It was a great shock to all the sporting element of New York as well as over the fighting world.

It now remains for Willie Lewis to bring up the rear and to lead on from where Wolcott has left off and to triumphantly carry the colored welterweight fighters' standing to the place where he will demand and receive the championship belt of that class. There is much dependence to be put in Lewis because he is another Wolcott. He only needs the chance, and if it is given him he will certainly show that he is the "real goods." It was a very sad thing to the local sport to be disappointed in that Wolcott-Lewis affair which was to have been pulled off in Detroit some three or four weeks ago, but was interferred with by the governor of Michigan, If this battle could have been brought to a finish it may have resulted in Lewis' favor but would have been through some very hard "working out" as Wolcott lacks a great deal of being "all in." But whatever may be said of Wolcott, it can be truthfully said that he was a great fighter in his day for his record shows it. Out 116 battles he never lost over 10 and those were mostly on account of foul blows.



JOE WOLCOTT

About the only real loss that was considered "big" against his record was his fight with George Gardner at San Francisco, April, 25, 1902, in a twenty round battle and that was due to a "put up" so say many. During his career he knocked out over 25 men. He did his best fighting in 1899 for in that year he won all of his twelve battles. In retiring, Wolcott should feel very proud as he has nothing to be ashamed of. Three cheers for the boy from Barbadoes, West Indies.

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SOME EXAMPLES OF PROSPERITY IN TENNESSEE.

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At Clarksville. Reed Smith is general manager of a Sample and Pool Room doing a good business. Mrs. Jane Ba nksdale serves good wholesome meols, at 535 Franklin street.

At Paris, Charles Jenkins runs a general store. He carries a complete line of staple and fancy groceries, meats, etc ice cream parlor and soda fountain in connection. He is ably assisied by his wife. Mr. Jenkins is The Freeman Representative.

At Brownsville. Jordan Irvin conducts a grocery, restaurant and lodging house Mr Jordan and Mr. Whitelow own the building, which also has a nice hall, occupied by the Knights of Pythias. Mr. Jordan is a deacon of the First Baptist church and a highly respected citizen. Mrs Webb is the housekeeper.

Alex A. Lee is among the successful cafe proprietors and entertains the public in a desirable manner.

Logan Reed operates a first-class news stand and cigar store in East Main street, The Freeman is on sale at his place every Saturday. Mr, Reed was at one time employed at the Brownsville Cotton Oil Company, but met with an accident and lost his left hand.

Robert January owns and conducts a first class and respectable pool room and billiard room in East Main street Leigh and Bond, two enterprising young men have a general store. and also a lodging house and hotel for the accommodation of the traveling public Bond & Son are prosperous in the cotton seed business and undertaking and embalming. They carry a line of shrouds, caskets and funeral supplies. Mr. Bond, Jr., conducts a livery stable

At Jackson, Jarrett and Phillips are in the grocery business in Liberty street. They carry a line of vegetables canned goods, cigars, tobacco and everything in that line. Promptness and good service is their motto. Mrs. Hannah Brown is proprietor of a lodging house. She is a highly respected member of the Calanthe Court and Daughters of Tabor. Isham Harden caters to the public with a strictly first-class tonsorial parlor in Lafayette street. Special attention given to the traveling public

The progress of the Negro is quite evident in this state. They are independent as far as business enterprises are concerned.

FT. WAYNE, IND.

Rev. A. Smith of this city and formerly pastor of the A. M. E. Church, is conducting a series of revival meetings in the northern part of the state.—Miss Ada Elliott is recognized here as quite an elocutionist. She is a popular young lady and has the wishes of the people to become known.—Mr. Thomas Wilson was buried Thursday in Lindenwood Cemetery.—The newly organized Baptist Church gave a social one evening last week. A good time is reported by all who is known to attend.

GREENVILLE. MISS,

The Cupshawian Club opened their dancing pavillion last month.—The Cowan has opened with a new head-waiter and he is giving perfect satisfaction, with his twenty good men The Young Men's Progressive Club is doing well.

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RACE GLEANINGS

Editor T. Thomas Fortune, of the New York Age, is pushing his plans for the organization of a Central Trust Company or Clearing House to do a general banking business and establish a chain of banks in the South controlled and managed by colored men. Mr. Fortune has recently returned from the South where he has been in consultation with Negro financiers of different places, with the result that a number of persons have consented to act as incorporators of the company among whom are Chas. Banks, Mound Bayou, Miss.; J. C. Napier, Nashville, Tenn.; Robert T. Terrell, Washington, D. C., and about ten others of equal prominence. At present there are about thirteen Negro banks in the South that are capably managed and doing much good for the race.

Mr. H. Thos. Calloway, has established in Chicago, Ill., a mail order Tailoring business with offices at 163 State street for Ladies and Gentlemen, and is doing a large business throughout the South and Southwest. He is giving employment to sixteen young men of the Negro race as traveling salesmen who are covering that field; and through the efforts of this force Mr. Calloway ships over 5,000 tailor-made suits to ladies and gentlemen each season. These goods are known as the "Calloway Brand." This is highly encouraging, and shows that the Negro has gone into business with a vengence.

A Negro carpenter of Augusta, Ga., has invented an automatic sliding gate, the principle of which can be applied to doors, windows, etc., and which is one of the most practical and generally useful inventions of recent years. Mr. Abraham Appling, the inventor, has been granted a patent for the gate and has been highly commended for his invention by the Chief Designer in the Patent Office.

"The Heart of Happy Hollow," a collection of short stories by Paul Lawrence Dunbar, is an intensely interesting book. The stories are full of life and color and very realistic. They tell of the lives of the colored people in many situations with a novelty that is fascinating, setting forth the merits and demerits of the race as only Dunbar can.

Among the large enterprises controlled by Negroes is the National Baptist Publishing House at Nashville, Tenn. This well established house has been in existence only for about ten years and from a very small beginning has now accumulated a capital of more than $200,000 and furnishes employment to a large number of people.

Mr. A. R. Cooper, an electric shoe manufacturer of Findlay, Ohio, has been offered $10,000 for his patent but refuses to sell same as he desires to develop his plant himself, in order to be able to give employment to members of his own race who, on account of their color, cannot obtain work in other factories.

Mr. Aiken C. Taylor, a young Afro-American of Charleston, S. C., has invented a cotton planter and fertilizer distributer which, he claims, will do the work of five men and five mules. The machine has been given a severe test, and a stock company to manufacture others is projected.

Mr. E E. Cooper has been appointed coupon clerk in the office of Collector of Taxes, Washington, D. C. He receipts for all money paid into the district building, amounting to about $6,000 000 per year. The position has never before been filled by a Negro.

It is stated from the latest statistics that 890,000,000 Africans inhabit the continent of Africa.

MAJORS' MELANGE

In Which the Doctor Says a Few Fit Things, and Pertinent—Read Every Line—It Is All Philosophy.

The Negro is laughing fit to kill at Gorman, Dixon, Tillman, Gov. Davis of Arkansas and Gov. Vardaman of Mississippi. In fact, the Negro laughs himself nearly to death very often when there is nothing really to laugh at. But here is an instance where the Negro scores a long happy laugh, a laugh that is potentous. Let us begin to sum up the cause of so much gullibility. So much of the "tickle me, take it away" laugh.

President Roosevelt made three speeches in his route to three colored colleges, one in North Carolina, one in Florida and another in Tuskegee. He crossed Ben Tillman's State and did not even stop in it long enough to say "Door of Hope shall not be closed to a man on the account of his color." This is scoring laugh No. 1.

He went to the town where his mother was born, and visited the house where she lived and afterward was married to his father. He had his picture taken with two of his mother's old colored servants. This is laugh No. 2.

He goes to Tuskegee, accepts the hospitality of the white citizens merely as a side line to the big show at Tuskegee given by Dr. Booker T. Washington, and dining with him this time in the very South. This is laugh No. 3.

He goes to Arkansas, makes a speech extolling the virtue and chivalry of the white South, and when he gets them wild with cheers, by the magnetic force of his eloquence, by the matchless magnanimity of his soul, he pauses a breath space, then tells the Governor of Arkansas to stop lynching indefensible, helpless Negroes. This is laugh No. 4.

Laugh No. 5—Gorman, you know what happened; laugh No. 6, Dixon is beginning to take backwater, and laugh No 7, on the President's trip, though he rode 1113 miles in Mississippi, he did not even take the time to name a new postoffice, nor to move one, nor point a colored postmistress. Vardaman has a cute memory, so has Tillman, so has Gorman, Dixon and the rest of their ilk; so has the remarkable, astounding, irrepressible President, who was dubbed by Henry Watterson of the Louisville Courier-Journal as a broncho buster, but who has had recent cause to name Theodore Roosevelt as the greatest man in the world living at the present time. They have, all have, good recollections, and it thus happens that the Negro laughs loud and long because he remembers some of the tricks that they have tried to play upon him. Unfair, unjust in their warp and use of, and built on that narrow gauge, ordained by the tenets of accursed slavery, they gripe and cramp, and writhe, and snarl to see a capable, highly intelligent colored lady or gentleman, 'tis no use to hate it God ordained freedom and progress, and He gave man the advance agency as his instrument for the establishment of truth on the earth.

It is the truth, this very day, that makes the Negro the reproach and sting of rebuke to fifteen million people in this country.

God is compelling the South to educate the Negro in the way of decency and goodness to save itself. He is compelling the nation to learn justice, honor and fair play that the nation itself shall be saved.

There are divers things to laugh at, but the burden of the present laugh is the big-headed, little, hearted, doughfaced Gorman, whose stench became so offensive in the nostrils of politicians that they have isolated him and buried him politically, never more to boss anything or anybody. I think we buried him with his face downward, and hence the Negro laughs.

Tillman and Dixon say in one voice: "Why dost thou laugh, dark-skinned race? Why makest merry? Why laugh to scorn thy mad furies? Why sickly, heartfelt ease? Why laugh the follies of hell's decree, when all the tortures of the world hath scorched thee?"

The Negro answers with a laugh Oh! such a laugh for he remembers that he who laughs last laughs best.

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WANDERER VISITS THROUGH SOUTH CAROLINA.

The C. M. E. conference met at Greenville last week. It was one of the best in the history of colored methodism in the State. Bishop Williams of Augusta, Ga., presided. The bishop is a young man but takes the lead among men like one born to rule. The C. M. E. church in this state is a force to be reckoned with, and with such men directing its affairs as Revs. J. A. Walker, William Gladney and C M. Bruct, presiding elders, the church life is taking on new strength. Rev. Walker is a young man of great brain power and is in the hearts of his people.

I rode in a buggy all day a few days ago and did not get off of Negroes' land. How is that? Why, these people down here are thinking of sending missionaries North to teach the Northern Negro how to own something. The South might well exchange a little real estate for so much natural gas stock and judging from the bombastic style of some young Northern scribes I should think that the North will wel come negotiations since gas seems so plentiful.

The Negro is now ashamed to rent. Many do of course, but they speak of it with an ill-concerned sense of shame which shows that they are not satisfied with old conditions.

The Greeley Institute Fair at Anderson, was a great success. Prof. George Hill deserves great credit for the efforts put forth in the interest of his people.

The A. M. E. conference will meet at Anderson within a few days. Bishop Coppin will preside. This conference will be notable for the class of men who will compose it. Dr. Lykes, of Greenville, Dr. D Timothy McDaniel, of Greenwood, Dr. Coleman, of Columbia are all general conference men, lawmakers of the great church.

Rev. E. V. Gassoway has been called to pastor the Baptist church of Level Land.

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Green Jackson has resigned his position with the State, having held it for twenty-two years. He is now employed by the Santa Fe Railroad Company. Mrs. Elizabeth Lewis is ill.—John Mack has gone to Lincoln, Ill., to accept position of blacksmith.—Mrs. Charles Eubanks is out of the city.—Miss Bertha Williams is recovering from an attack of la grippe.—Rev. J. C. Reid was initiated into the mysteries of the Odd Fellows last week.—Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Smith, of Denmark, Ia., were guests of Mrs. Stewart recently.—Mesdames Henry and Blade spent Thanksgiving at La Grange, Mo; Mrs. C. Stewart and Miss Mattie Thomas at Galesburg, Ill.— Phone 386 Y, for The Freeman. News items will be received until Thursday. Have you subscribed?

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Mrs. Willis Bryant and daughter are the guests of friends at Henderson, Ky.

Mrs. William Pierce was hostess to the Topaz Cluster Club Friday of last week.

Sisters of Charity No. 1 will nominate officers for the ensuing year at the next regular meeting.

The usual monthly program will be given tomorrow night at Bethel A. M. E church Miss Myrtle Hart will render a harp solo.

The Choral Society of Simpson Chapel will give a Christmas Song Service December 24. Mrs. Edna Winston, a noted singer will render a solo.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter Temple entertained Tuesday afternoon, and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. C. Willis Tuesday evening complimentary to Dr. H. W. Furniss.

The Daughters of Honor presented Mrs. Hulda Webb many presents in token of the thirty-ninth anniversary of her marriage. Mrs. Webb has been president of this socie,y for twenty-two years.

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The delegation that went to Muncie last week to the convention will give their report next Sunday at the 3.30 p. m, meeting. Come out and hear something good.

Mr. S. W. Perry will give an address on "Why are we lacking in race unity" at the Lyceum next Tuesday. Open discussion at close of the address. All are welcome.

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